

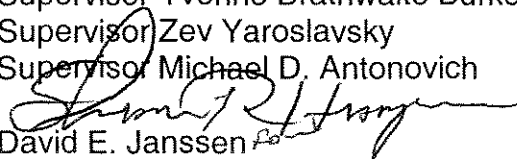


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**DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES RECOMMENDATION TO APPROVE  
RETROACTIVE AMENDMENTS FOR SERVICES AT OLIVE VIEW-UCLA MEDICAL  
CENTER (ITEM NO. 39, AGENDA OF DECEMBER 16, 2003)**

Item No.39 on your December 16, 2003 agenda is the Department of Health Services' (DHS) request for Board approval of two amendments, effective retroactively to July 1, 2003 through December 31, 2003. The first applies to an existing contract with Olive View/UCLA Education and Research Institute (ERI) for genetic counseling services and the second is for an existing agreement with the Department of Veterans Affairs, Veteran's Administration Greater Los Angeles Healthcare System (VA), for podiatric services at Olive View - UCLA Medical Center. These actions are not in compliance with the Board-approved policy to ensure the timely submission of contracts for Board approval.

Despite the retroactive nature of the amendments, we approved placement of this item on the agenda for consideration by your Board because the amendments involve direct patient care services deemed vital by the Department. We were recently advised that DHS will request that the retroactive provisions related to the podiatry services amendment be referred back to them for further review. Regarding the retroactive provisions for the genetic counseling services, DHS indicates that, after Board approval of the ERI agreement, they were advised that grant funds used by ERI to fund one of the genetic counseling positions had expired on June 30, 2003. Because this position is vital to the genetic counseling program, DHS is requesting that the costs of this position be added to the current agreement, retroactive to July 1, 2003. In addition, the amendments will extend the terms of the agreements for an additional 12 months effective January 1, 2004 through December 31, 2004. The Department has indicated that they will take appropriate corrective action regarding employees involved with the need to seek retroactive approval of these amendments.

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